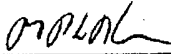


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Dear Sir:

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In an Office Action dated September 30, 2002, the Patent Office rejected claims 17, 20-21, and 57 under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) and for as being anticipated by Gregory et al. U.S. Patent No. 4,705,799. The applicants respectfully request entry of the following remarks, and reconsideration. This amendment is timely filed before the deadline for response without a fee of December 30, 2002.

AMENDMENTS

In the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 6, line 26, with the following amended paragraph: